## Land to IIC at Lodhi Garden, New Delhi

2472. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have leased/sold land to the Indian International Centre (IIC) at Lodhi Garden, Max Mueller Marg, New Delhi, at very concessional rates;

(b) if so, what are the terms and conditions on which land was leased/sold;

(c) whether Government had suggested any guidelines for enrolling members of the IIC;

(d) if so, whether these guidelines are being followed by IIC; and

(e) if not, what measures Government have taken or propose to take to ensure that IIC stops the arbitrary manner of enrolling the members and the membership is transparent?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) Land was allotted on prepetual lease to India International Centre in 1960 at the institutional rate of Rs. 36000/- per acre which was the rate prevailing at that time.

(b) The terms and conditions are set up in the allotment letter, Memorandum of Agreement Perpetual Lease which, inter-alia include the following conditions:

(1) The land allotted was for construction of the building for the bonafied use of the Centre.

(2) The Centre was required to pay for the land 36000/- per acre plus 5% annual ground rent thereon.

(3) The Centre was required to pay a sum of Rs. 1,87,600/- (Rupees One lakh, Eighty seven thousand and six hundred only) being the depreciated value of the structures, existing on the said plot of land.

(4) The Centre was required to complete the construction of the building within a period of two years from the date of allotment;

(5) The Centre was required to get its plans and set-back lines approved by the Chief Architect and Town Planning Organisation, C.P.W.D., New Delhi before hand in addition to the approval of Lessor.

(6) No residential accommodation except as may be specifically permitted by Lessor is allowed.

(7) The lessee cannot without the consent of the Lessor use the premises for any trade or business or use the same for any purpose other than the bonafide use of the India International Centre.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Do not arise in view of (c) above.

**Additional Housing Projects for EWS and LIG Categories**

2473. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have asked the State Governments to come up with the additional housing projects for economically weaker section (EWS) and low income group (LIG) categories to meet the target of construction of two million houses;

(b) whether at the recently concluded meeting of State Housing Ministers, HUDCO was suggested to bring down the rate of interest from 13 to 9 per cent to those States which have been regularly fulfilling their repayment commitments;

(c) if so, the reaction of Government to the suggestion; and

(d) what other steps have been taken to achieve the target?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) State Governments have been advised to submit sufficient project proposals to HUDCO for